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MECHANICAL POLISHING DEVICE PROVIDING MANIPULATION OF REMOVAL RATE PROFILES Examiner: E. L. T. Umez

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 26, 2005, please find:

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